Farmer's Column.

Uses of Lime in Gardening.]

Of all the mineral and earthly substances employed in agriculture and gardening, there is not one probably, about which there exists, in the minds of most persons, more doubt and uncertainty as to its value and action, than in respect to the simple article lime.

Lime is a very important auxiliary to other manures. It is in more ways than one a real fertilizer, and it produces, sets free and organizes fertilizing qualities in other matters; but it is by no means a universal manure or fertilizer.

I propose to set down, in a series of paragraphs, the most evident and important uses of lime in gardening, and to call attention especially to two actions which it possesses, which are not generally recognized or understood.

1. Lime is an alkaline earth, (a sort of salt,) and its first and most evident use is to sweecten our soil.

2. Lime furnishes a substance which is present in considerable quantities in the ash of nearly all our cultivated plants and fruits. For this reason, partly, lime is especially useful to potatoes. The tuber of the potato shows but a trace of lime in a ton, and hence some writers have hastily concluded that lime in quantity, is not essential to this crop. But look at the analysis of the straw or tops; there you will find nearly three hundred pounds in the product of an acre.

3. Freshly slaked or caustic lime acts as a powerful decomposing agent, when in contact with masses of earth or vegetable matter, setting free many substances which before existed in forms insoluble in water, and causing the natural decay of organic bodies to be hastened.

4. Lime causes cold and dense soils to become more open and porous, and renders light, sandy soils more close in texture, or more adhesive.

5. Vegetable matter (that is loam, soda, stable manure and straw) is the food of lime. By its decomposing power, it may almost literally be said to eat up vegetable matter and loam. It effectually decomposes and drives vegetable matter and manure out of the soil when in a caustic state. Hence where there is little loam, there lime should be used sparingly.

6. Not only does lime decompose vegetable matter, but when used in excess it renders the results of decomposition insoluble in water.

7. Lime, in close proximity with decaying nitrogenous matters in the soil, (as horse manure, hair, leather, &c.,) becomes a real ammonia-producing agent; the lime and nitrogen uniting to form nitrate of lime, is fully equal to ammonia as a fertilising agent, while potash and nitrogen form nitrate of potash, (saltpetre) the money value of which, as manure, needs no explanation.

8. Lime, when it has been burned and slaked, and again becomes a mild carbonate, is then a store-house of carbonic acid for the use of plants, and, in a certain degree, has the same action upon vegetation as carbonic acid evolved from decaying vegetable matter. You will ask, how is this carbonic acid set free? I answer, in one instance, by the action of carbonate of lime upon silica or sand (which is chiefly an acid,) silicic acid is liberated, which in its turn acts upon the carbonate of lime, and large quantities of carbonic acid are let loose. Other changes, of a similar character, take place in the soil, caused by the actions and reactions of acids and alkalies, which result in liberation of carbonic acid, held in combination by lime, and thus it serves, in a measure, the same purpose of vegetable carbon, in its relation to plants.

The last two sections (seven and eight) are those to which I wish to direct the attention of the reader, as they describe the least known and more important uses of lime.

My rule is to use lime in the garden constantly, but moderately; and especially to use it in combination with hair, leather or any slowly rotting nitrogenous matter; and thus I secure two or three important points in "terra" culture — *William Bright, in Gardner's Monthly.*

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Marion,			11.10
Kingston,			11.25
Westover,			11.40
			P. M.
Princess Anne,		7 40	12.15
Eden,			12 30
Forktown,			12.40
Salisbury,		8.15	1 05
Delmar,			1.20
Laurel,			1.40
Seaford,		8.55	2.05
Bridgeville,			2.25
Greenwood,			2.35
Farmington,			2.45
	A. M.		
Milford,	6 45		
Harrington,	7.10	9.45	3.05
Felton,	7.25		3.20
Canterbury,	7.30		3.25
Willow Grove,	7.35		3 30
Camden,	7.45		3 40
Dover,	8.00	10.25	4 00
Mooreton,	8.15		4.10
Brenford,	8.20		4.15
Smyrna,	8.15	10.30	4.10
Clayton,	8.30	10.45	4.25
Sassafras Road,	8.35		4.30
Blackbird,	8.45		4.45
Townsend,	8.55		4 50
Middletown,	9.10	11.20	5.10
Mt. Pleasant,	9.20		5.20
St. Georges,	9.35		5.30
Bear,	9.45		5.45
New Castle,	10.05		6.00
ARRIVE.		P. M.	
Wilmington,	10.25	12.15	6.20
	A. M.		
Philadelphia,	11 50	1.30	8.00
	P. M.		A. M.
Baltimore,	3.45	3.45	3.15

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Arrive Clayton,	10,35	"
Leave Clayton,	10,49	"
Arrive Wilmington,	12,16	P. M.
" Philadelphia,	1,32	"
" Baltimore,	3,45	"
" New York,	5,42	"

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" Baltimore,	7,25	A. M.
" Philadelphia,	8,30	"
" Wilmington,	10,16	"
Arrive Clayton,	12,15	P. M.
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" Kenton,	12,57	"
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Road Notice.

Thirty days after date, the undersigned citizens of Caroline county intend petitioning the County Commissioners for Caroline county to appoint a commission to examine, and, if public convenience requires, lay out a new County Road, commencing at the end of the lane leading from Smithville to the Bloomery Church, then to run in a direct line through the lands of R. H. Wright and others, crossing North Fork Branch, until it intersects the Delaware line.

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